

BELAND FACES INTERNATIONAL SENSATION

ARMS DELEGATES
FACE MERCHANT
SHIP PROBLEM

Foresee Disagreement Over
Attempt to Prohibit Arm-
ing in Time of War.

MAY ENDANGER TREATY

Russian Expert Comes to
Washington to Seek Help
for Russia's Interests.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—As the
arms conference prepares to begin
discussion of the final draft of the
five power naval treaty, some of the
delegates are making a particular
study of the question of arming
merchant vessels as it may relate to the
limitation agreement.

In no quarter is there apparent a
disposition to raise an issue which
might change the treaty at this
point in the negotiations, but among
the foreign delegations it is pre-
dicted privately that the armed ship
problem will be one of the most dif-
ficult of the collateral questions to
arise when the final draft is con-
sidered by the committee for approval.

The Italians, Japanese and French
all are said to feel that if merchant-
men are to be permitted to arm as
in past wars, the effect might be
not only to vitiate the project to limit
individual auxiliary warships to
10,000 tons each, but it might also
result in a great disadvantage to the
nations which have small merchant
fleets.

Troublesome Subject.
Beyond saying that the status of a
merchant ship in the future is to be
the status well understood in inter-
national law, the American and
British delegates are not willing to
discuss the subject. It is the opinion
of the committee, however, that the
British may themselves bring the
point up for discussion before the
treaty finally is approved.

The sub-committee draft of the
treaty was virtually complete
Sunday night after a six-hour Ses-
sion of the naval experts, and the
full naval committee probably will
begin its discussion of detail and
jurisprudence Monday or Tuesday. A
senior session of the conference
of the treaty probably will follow
before the end of the week, and
then the delegates will turn
their full attention to a final attack
on unsettled questions of the far
east.

Deadlock Over Shantung.
Meantime the Shantung contro-
versy remains in deadlock, but hope
of an agreement during the week
was expressed tonight in American
quarters. The medical mission of
Hughes and Arthur Balfour is look-
ed upon by the Americans and British
as almost certain to bring the
two groups together although this
optimism is not shared by all of the
Chinese and Japanese delegates.

It is evident that the long dis-
cussion of Shantung has been brought
to a delicate stage, where either a
settlement or an agreement to dis-
agree will be announced within a
few days. Both the Chinese and
Japanese are showing signs of lack
of patience and unless the mediation
effort is a success the subject is ex-
pected to be dropped, so far as the
Washington conference is concerned.

Merchantman Problem.
The question of arming merchant-
men has arisen in connection with
the attempt of the naval experts to
include in the treaty a definition of
the term "warship." Such a defini-
tion is regarded by the naval au-
thorities as necessary, particularly in
view of the 10,000 ton auxiliary limit
and the related provision prohib-
iting any auxiliary craft from carry-
ing guns of more than eight-inch
caliber.

Although no announcement was
made after Sunday's long meeting of
the expert submarine committee,
there were indications that the at-
tempt to define an auxiliary warship
was giving the committee members
considerable trouble. In it is said
the whole question of

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Cannot Charge
Crime Wave to
Prohibition Law

Haynes Says It is Just as Sen-
sible to Blame It on
Woman Suffrage.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The prohibi-
tion law is not a failure and while
enforcement of it probably never
will reach the 100 percent point of
efficiency, it rapidly is approaching
the highest possible point, Maj. R.
A. Haynes, national prohibition di-
rector, said Sunday in an address
before the law enforcement league
of Chicago. No law can be enforced
100 percent, Mr. Haynes said. He
declared that the chief obstacles in
enforcement of the Volstead act
were apathetic citizens and lethargic
public officials.

"The wets have carefully planned
propaganda to make it appear that
the prohibition law is a failure and
cannot be enforced," said Maj.
Haynes.

"They put in capital letters the
liquor imported into this country.
The facts show that the total im-
portation during the past fiscal year
was one-half of one percent of the
total consumption of liquor in the
United States the year before prohi-
bition. Propaganda says crime has
increased since prohibition. The facts
show the crime wave in world-
wide and that it was just as sensib-
le to blame it on woman suffrage as
on prohibition. Facts show that ar-
rests for drunkenness have de-
creased 60 percent in this country since
prohibition and conviction for
drunkenness increased about the
same percent in wet England."

"Facts show that liquor with-
drawals from warehouses in this
country during the past October
were only 50 percent of the with-
drawals in the previous October."

BELGIUM WILL NOT
RENOUCE PRIORITY
IN 1922 PAYMENTS

Council Experts Increase the
Amount Germany Must
Pay to Meet Claims.

By Associated Press.
CANNES, Jan. 8.—Premiers Bri-
and and Lloyd-George Sunday had
their first talk on the future rela-
tions between France and Great Bri-
tain since they have been at Cannes.
It is understood that they went over
broadly the principal questions, this
being necessary to settle the order
and form the basis of a closer en-
tente between the two countries.

A Franco-British alliance for mutual
defense has created a strong un-
dercurrent of opinion here, not-
withstanding that the atmosphere
has seemed to be little favorable to
negotiations tending to make the re-
lations between the two countries
closer. Mr. Briand and Mr. Lloyd-
George appear far apart regarding
the attitude the allies ought to take
toward Germany after the default
in the payment of reparations and
are not at all in accord as to what-
ever the explanations ought to be heard
at Cannes.

Alliance Reports Agitate.

Council circles were much agitated
today by reports from Paris that
a treaty had been signed, but the
only document known to exist touch-
ing upon the question of an alliance
is a memorandum which sets forth
reasons as a basis for such a pact.
Mr. Briand's flat declaration for an
alliance before he departed from
Paris made a marked impression on
the British who advanced the argu-
ment that it would be easier to deal
with France on European questions,
if she were not able to hold forth
from a position of strength and to
secure from the United States
guarantees for her security, such as
would have been given her in the
Versailles tripartite agreement had
been ratified.

There was discussion to discuss the
situation in Asia Minor here instead of
Paris at a later date is interpreted
as a move to do away with all sub-
jects in controversy between the two
countries, so as to clear the way for
a convention covering all European
and eastern questions.

Increase 1922 Payments.

The reparations experts have in-
creased the total amount which Ger-
many will be required to pay in cash
in 1922 from 500,000,000 gold marks
to 500,000,000. This was done as a
concession to Belgium, when it was
seen that 500,000,000 would be en-
tirely absorbed in the cost of the
armies of occupation. Belgium has
made a determined fight for the
priority which is due her, and the
increase in the next year's payments
makes possible the continuance of
this priority. The allies are anxiously
awaiting a reply from the United
States to the invitation to join in
the economic conference, both M.
Briand and Mr. Lloyd-George are
confident of its acceptance. The
American ambassador, Mr. Harvey,
has not yet received any word, but
it is believed a reply may come Mon-
day or Tuesday.

Belgium cannot renounce the
privilege, acknowledged by all the
allies, the priority payments by Ger-
many," said M. Jaspars, the Belgian
foreign minister, Sunday. "We re-
corded the Wiesbaden agreement
granting France 1,250,000,000 marks
in kind, but the allies must recog-
nize our needs and inasmuch as Ger-
many can pay in 1922, we want our
priority in the payments."

There is considerable speculation
that the German government will
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POLICE ON TRAIL
OF NEGRO SLAYER
IN JERSEY WOODS

Murderer of New York Detectives
Surrounded and Cap-
ture Seems Certain.

IS DISGUISED AS WOMAN

Taxi Driver, Forced by Boddy
to Drive Him to Trenton,
Gives Clue.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 8.—Sur-
rounded Sunday night by New Jer-
sey and Pennsylvania state police
near Pottsville, Pa., a few miles
from this city, and with New York
and Trenton police on guard, Luther
Boddy, the young negro who is al-
leged to have killed two New York
detectives Thursday night, was mo-
mentarily expected to be captured.
He is believed to be concealed in a
small area, following a dash early
Sunday in a taxi cab from Jersey
City to Trenton with a revolver at
the head of the taxi cab driver.
Boddy, attired in women's clothing,
eluded the vigilance of the New
York police and made his way to
the Hudson tubes terminal in New-
ark Saturday night, where he en-
gaged Adam Aduato, a taxi driver
of Newark, to take him to Jersey
City. There Boddy is declared to
have revealed himself to the taxi
driver as "Boddy, the murderer,"
after having threatened him with a
revolver and robbing him of about
\$1.75, all the money he had.

Aduato, according to the story he
told Chief of Police Culligan here
Sunday, was compelled by Boddy at
Jersey City to take the road to
Philadelphia. The negro, he said,
frequently threatened him with the
revolver and demanded speed, de-
claring that there was a reward of
\$10,000 for him and if he had to
run, he would run to Philadelphia.
Boddy, according to the driver,
said he wanted to get to Canada.

Runs Out of Gas.
After passing Trenton Aduato
ran out of gas. The negro com-
pelled him to stop and go on
toward Langhorne, Pa., telling Adu-
ato to ask for gas and saying if he
made a false move it would be his
last. Instead of asking for gas,
however, Aduato jumped on the
running board of the other car and
exclaimed: "For God's sake, stop
the gas. I've got a murderer in my
car."

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CONVICTS ESCAPE
THROUGH SEWER

Eight Desperate Kentucky
Prisoners Gain Liberty
for Few Hours.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 8.—
Eight of the most desperate prison-
ers in the Kentucky state reforma-
tory here, including one who is
serving a life term for murder, late
Sunday escaped from the main
prison through a sewer. Seven of
the men got outside the walls but
were recaptured within an hour and
the eighth was found two hours
later hiding in a shirt factory. The
delivery was planned by George Mil-
ler of Covington, Ky., serving five
years for robbery, who served two
years in the federal prison at Fort
Leavenworth, Kas., and now is
wanted there as an escaped convict,
and Joe Murray of Newport, Ky.,
serving seven years for storehouse
breaking and who has attempted to
escape four times, according to their
stories.

Recently some work has been done
on the sewers in the prison yard
and the excavations uncovered the
main sewer. Murray and Miller, it
is said, hid a pick and Sunday while
convicts were pitching horseshoes in
the yard broke a small hole in the
large sewer main. The pair dropped
into this, walked a few feet to a
trap door in the factory stockade,
raised the sewer cap, climbed over,
ran through the shirt factory and
escaped by climbing over the fence.
The other men claimed they did not
see Murray and Miller escape but
noticed the hole in the sewer pipe
and on the spur of the moment at-
tempted to make their escape.

DUCK HUNTING TRIP

FATAL TO HUNTERS
LAS ANIMAS, Cal., Jan. 8.—Rob-
ert Orr and Albert McGilvray, hun-
ters, put out on ice covered Blue
Lake, near here Saturday night on a
rudely made raft in an attempt to
reach several wild geese they had
shot. The ice gave way. Searching
parties Sunday found the frozen
body of Orr on the raft. McGilvray
had drowned.

Orr was the son of J. W. Orr of
Pittsburg, Pa.

FIND BODIES OF BOYS

DROWNED IN FLOODS
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 8.—The
bodies of Leo Winger, 18 years old,
and Thomas B. Fruchte, 15 years
old, who with Clyde Crow, 18 years
old, were drowned in the backwater
of the Ohio river near here a week
ago, were found Sunday near the
spot where the body of Crow was
discovered Saturday. The boys went
duck hunting and are believed to
have been drowned when the canoe
was overturned.

No Rust Growing on Jap Arms



While the world talks of disarmament the Japanese army keeps on with its field maneuvers. Above, Crown Prince Hirohito, regent of Japan, and members of his staff watch the latest operations of the army near Tokio.

Eagerness to Greet Parent
Results in Death of Child

Three Year Old Joseph Sie-
benlist Killed by Street Car
Sunday Afternoon.

His eagerness to greet his father,
Joseph Siebenlist, when he alighted
from a Washington av. street car
last three-year-old Walter Sieben-
list, 2240 W. Washington av., his
life Sunday afternoon, shortly after
1 o'clock.

The front trucks of the car passed
over the child's abdomen severing
the body just above the hips. He
was rushed to the St. Joseph's hos-
pital in the police ambulance, but
died within 15 minutes after his ar-
rival there. The accident occurred
on Washington near Sadie st.

Besides his father, Tony Mikula,
1117 W. Theaker, Floyd Mikula,
of the same address; H. Erhardt,
136 State st., and Joseph Balka, 121
Sadie st., witnessed the tragedy.

The Siebenlist child, according to
the story obtained by the police, had
been watching on the sidewalk
his father for his father to come

PREDICT RISE IN
PRICE OF SUGAR

Expert Says Present Low Level
Will Restrict Production
Below Demand.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Higher
prices for sugar may be expected,
according to the results of an in-
vestigation into the situation in the
sugar industry made public Sunday
night by the commerce department.
"The market," the department said,
"is now entirely uninfluenced by
any artificial control and the present
low price level manifestly cannot
long continue without restricting the
production of sugar below the
world's demand and again creating
high prices."

In its investigation the depart-
ment found that there is an "abnor-
mal" visible world surplus of sugar,
amounting to about 1,200,000 tons
congregated in the western hemi-
sphere. "Invisible" stocks of sugar
in the hands of wholesalers and re-
tailers, was estimated at from 300-
000 to 400,000 tons below normal,
due to apprehension of further fall
in prices.

GOODRICH DOES NOT
WANT CABINET JOB

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 8.—
Former Gov. James P. Goodrich, of
Indiana, Sunday denied a report
that he would be a candidate
for a post in President Harding's
cabinet to succeed Will Hays in case
the latter resigned as postmaster
general. Mr. Goodrich was em-
phatic in his statement that he
would not consider the position. He
declared he intended to return to
Russia in three weeks' time to re-
sume his duties in connection with
the American Relief commission.
The report that Hays in-
tended to resign to accept a position
with a motion picture company at a
huge salary led to the report that
Goodrich, prominent in Indiana poli-
tics, would be the logical successor
to the postmaster general. Good-
rich is here in connection with a talk
he gave on Russia.

"SAILOR BOB" CLARK DEAD.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 8.—Robert
"Sailor Bob" Clark, 68 years old, of
this city, well known in Indiana as
a lecturer, died while attending reli-
gious services at the Wesley Chapel
M. E. church here today. Death
was due to heart disease.

G. O. P. LEADERS
PLAN TO INSURE
HOLD OF PARTY

Leaders at Harding's Dinner
Discuss Means of Increas-
ing Efficiency.

INDORSE BONUS ACTION

Bill for Soldier Relief to be
Given Precedence Over
Other Bills.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—A move
toward party solidarity and effort
to find ways and means of increas-
ing the efficiency of the republican
party in congress, it was learned
Sunday, was the two-fold purpose
of the White House dinner Saturday
night which brought together Pres-
ident Harding and a number of repre-
sentative republican leaders. Protracted
consideration was given, during
the after-dinner discussion which
lasted until after midnight, to the
position of the party on present do-
mestic issues, with the result that
decision was practically reached on
what was described as two matters
of first importance:

Early enactment of a soldier
bonus bill, and early assembling of
a republican senate conference to
reconcile any differences which may
be found to exist in party councils
over the form to be given legisla-
tion for refunding allied debts. The
two subjects were inter-connected in
the discussion, since the possible in-
come of the debts, it was fairly gen-
erally agreed, stood out as the best
chance of recouping bonus expenditure
with a sales tax suggested as the only
alternative.

Two members of the cabinet, Secy
Weeks and Atty Gen. Daugherty,
participated, as did Chairman John
T. Adams of the republican national
committee, Sens. Lodge, Watson of
Indiana, Curtis, Brandegee and Mc-
Cumber; Speaker Gillett and Repub-
lican Leader Mondell from the
house, and Reps. Madden, Illinois,
Foster, Michigan, Darrows, Penn-
sylvania, Anderson, Minnesota, and
Saunders, Indiana.

Chiefly the discussion bore on the
legislative situation in the senate,
where it was agreed that the three
most important measures aside from
the routine of appropriations, the
tariff, the bonus and refunding pro-
posals needed agreement and ad-
vice.

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GOODRICH HOLDS
HOPE FOR RUSSIA

Believes Present Rulers Will
Bring Stable Govern-
ment to Country.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 8.—
The present rulers of Russia will
bring a stable government to that
country, probably on a modified
communist plan, in the opinion of
James P. Goodrich, former governor
of Indiana, who delivered an ad-
dress here Sunday on famine con-
ditions in Russia. Mr. Goodrich re-
cently returned from Russia, where
he went as a representative of the
American relief administration to
make an investigation. Lenine has
admitted the failure of the attempt
to nationalize the peasants, the for-
mer governor said, and has been
forced to restore internal free trade
to mollify the millions who lived by
their work on the land.

Gov. Goodrich described in detail
the plight of the Russians in the
famine districts, where thousands
were said to be doomed to death by
starvation unless aid is forthcom-
ing from outside of Russia.

Soleism Surprising.

"The most surprising thing about
the whole famine situation," said
Mr. Goodrich, "is the stolidness of
fatalism and the unconcern with
which doomed peasants face starva-
tion, and with which their neigh-
bors, who have several months' sup-
ply hoarded up, sit by and watch
the terrible suffering and end come
to others less fortunate."

"In one commune we found food
stored sufficient for all its people
for four or five months ahead, while
in an adjoining one, men, women
and children were crawling on their
hands and knees over unproductive
acres, plucking weeds and roots that
would yield them a kernel to hold
body and soul together."

"I asked the head of the first
commune why it was that he and
his people did not divide their
stored-up provisions with their
neighbors."

"The man replied: 'You Ameri-
cans do not understand. If we di-
vide what we have with others the
whole will be consumed in a short
time; then all of us will starve. In
famine it is necessary for some to
die that others may live.'"

"The starving complain little,"
Mr. Goodrich continued. "They ac-
cept their fate as inevitable. If it
is not they who suffer, others will.
Some one has to when there is not
enough to go around."

Mr. Goodrich told of an incident
which happened while his party was
aboard a ship in the Volga district.
He said the ship stopped at one of
the desolate ports to take on re-
fugees striving to reach the Ukraine,
where food is more easily obtain-
able. The captain announced that
there was room for only three pas-
sengers. An old man and his three

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Use Varnish for
Communion Wine;
Elders Stricken

Panic Seizes Congregation as
Leaders Drop—Two May
Not Recover.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 8.—
Eight elders of the Seventh Reform-
ed church here, who were poisoned at the
morning service Sunday when they
drank varnish that had been poured
into a communion cup in the belief
it was sacramental wine. Two of
the elders were said to be in a criti-
cal condition.

The church recently had been
repaired and in the store room
where the sacramental wine is kept
in a jug several kinds of varnish
used in re-decorating had been
stored. One of the elders of the church
is said to have mistaken the var-
nish for wine when he filled the
communion cup during the church
service.

The eight elders of the church
were the first to drink the sacra-
mental wine. As the cup was being
passed to other members of the
congregation the elders were seen to
fall to the floor. Many of the
church members became panic
stricken and rushed from the edifice
before the church service was over,
and the stricken men taken to hos-
pitals or their homes.

The poisoned men were Dr. J. Va-
derwerf, John Riewold, S. Polkarty,
Henry Terkurt, A. Debruy, J.
Hoogester, C. Hemstram and R.
Rox.

The communion cup was passed
to the elders immediately after Rev.
D. A. Van Lummel, the pastor, had
completed his sermon. Elder Rie-
wold was the first to drink the
poison and the first to fall. The
other elders collapsed in rapid suc-
cession. Little hope was held by
hospital attendants for the recov-
ery of Elders Polkarty and Terkurt.

DEMOCRATIC HEAD
CHARGES HARDING
AID TO NEWBERRY

Chairman Hull Says President
is Using Moral In-
fluence of Office.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Debate in
the senate on the right of Truman
H. Newberry to hold a seat in that
body was expected to reach a climax
Monday, when Mr. Newberry plans
to take the floor to defend himself
against the charges of corruption in
the Michigan election. The sena-
tor, whose claim is being contested
by Henry Ford, his democratic op-
ponent, on the ground that about
\$250,000 was spent to win the nomi-
nation and election, will read a pre-
pared speech and, according to pre-
sent plans, will then submit to ques-
tions by any senator as long as the
queries are "reasonable." Senators
have been warned by Sen. Spencer,
Republican of Missouri, chairman of
the elections committee, and Sen.
Townsend, Mr. Newberry's colleague
from Michigan, that no heckling or
"cross-examining tactics" will be
permitted.

Limit on Debate.

Discussion of the case will go on
Monday under an agreement limit-
ing each senator to one hour's speak-
ing on the main subject or any amend-
ment. The debate will continue
that should Mr. Newberry need more
time a suspension of the consent
agreement obviously would be pro-
posed and accepted. The senator's
speech, it was indicated, would oc-
cur more than an hour after the
outbreak of the debate. Leaders in
the fight to put through the resolution
which would declare Mr. Newberry
to be the duly elected senator from
Michigan say frankly that much de-
pends on his presentation of the
case, and while confident that the
resolution will carry, they assert that
he will offer convincing arguments
concerning his lack of knowledge of
the activities of his campaign com-
mittee. The senate will devote prob-
ably a full week of discussion in the
controversy which had its inception
in the Michigan elections of 1918, in
which Mr. Newberry was urged
Henry Ford to participate. Many sen-
ators have signified their intention
of addressing the senate and a pro-
spect for a vote before late in the
week is not hopeful, leaders said to-
night, although under the agree-
ment a vote may be called for any
time after Monday.

Chairman Hull, of the democratic
national committee, in a statement
made today said that he was
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OLIVER, GRANDSIRE
OF I. O. O. F. DIES

TORONTO, Jan. 8.—Joseph Ol-
iver, grandmaster of the Independent
Order of Odd Fellows, died here
Sunday after an illness of three
months. He was 70 years old.

He was a member of the Odd
Fellows for many years and was
head of the grand lodge in Canada
before being chosen to the highest
office of the order in North America.
He was also a past master of the
Masonic fraternity.

For a number of years he was
president and manager of a lumber
firm bearing his name. He held
various public offices including that
of mayor in 1905-09.

HENRY SEVERIN DEAD.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 8.—
Word was received here of the death
in Chicago today of Henry Severin,
builder of the Hotel Severin here.
Mrs. Severin, who was 52 years old,
owned much valuable real estate
here.

SPLIT ON TREATY
RENDERS FUTURE
OBSCURE AS EVER

Republican Opponents May
Rebel to Prevent Establish-
ment of Free State.

DAIL WILL NOT DISSOLVE

DeValera Tells Supporters He
Plans to Continue Fight
For a Republic.

By Associated Press.
DUBLIN, Jan. 8.—The peace
treaty has been ratified and prayers
of thanksgiving went up from the
people in all the churches Sunday
but Ireland continues to face in-
ternal disorganization, giving rise
to the greatest anxiety.

The split on the treaty and the
future was never more obscure. At
different hours Sunday the two fac-
tions held conferences at the Man-
sion. The treaty will meet again
Monday in public session and all
the members are expected to at-
tend.

It has become apparent that
Eamonn De Valera's resignation as
president of the republic did not
take an official form, and the out-
standing question Sunday is whether
he will make effective his expressed
intention to resign, and if he does
not what will become of the Dail.
Many believe that the opponents of
the treaty plan to keep the Sean
Fein parliament in being while the
supporters of the treaty endeavor
to establish a provisional govern-
ment and carry out the terms of the
peace agreement.

Mr. De Valera's resignation ren-
dered to the Dail Eamonn Friday
was specific; he consented, however,
to postpone action thereon on con-
dition that a vote on the treaty
should be taken within 48 hours.
At the same time he plainly stated
that he intended "whatever hap-
pened," to retire to private life.

Resignation Not Repeated.
When the vote was taken the res-
ignation was not repeated. Mr. De
Valera, newly elected to the post of
he arose and in a voice broken with
emotion began to explain his per-
sonal position. But he had not got
far when he sat down, unable to
go on.

Late Mr. De Valera summoned a
meeting for Sunday, exclusively
confined to the 87 deputies who
voted against the treaty, and Sun-
day at the Mansion house prior to
the private session of his associates,
he delivered a speech which was a
clear indication of his intention
to continue the fight, this time ap-
parently not only against the British
government but against the pro-
visional government of the Irish
Free State, which he said, he re-
garded as a usurpation, and to which
the chief objection is that it de-
rives its authority from the British
parliament.

There are many Sunday night
who are of the opinion that the
question of Mr. De Valera's sus-
pended resignation must be debated
at Monday's meeting of the Dail.
The inconsistency in his declara-
tion has puzzled all commentators,
but it is the opinion of the Irish
Self-Determination League of Great
Britain, who, although not a mem-
ber of the Dail, has been privileged
during the debate to sit among the
members and who is in closest
touch with the Irish Free State,
informed The Associated Press at
Sunday that his interpretation is
that Mr. De Valera will resign the
presidency and retire to private life
only when he has consolidated the
republic.